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Dear Mr. Barrett:

Thank you for your letter of August 28, 2001.

We are very concerned about the proposed plan of nuclear radioactive waste going through the St. Louis, MO area. This is a highly populated, busy area and we do not feel safe with it going through here—by rail or otherwise.

We believe that spent fuel should be repositied on-site. Also, if we don't know what to do with the waste, we shouldn't be making more.

Finally, we are afraid enough about safety issues and now especially after the horror inflicted on America by terrorists!

Please do not allow dangerous radioactive waste to pass through here.

We realize the enormity of your decisions, and we also realize that probably no one wants this material to pass through their area. We do, however, feel the high population and the fact that St. Louis is considered to be on a fault line, make it an inappropriate pathway.

Thank you for your consideration. I wish I could suggest a wonderful alternative, but do not have the information or knowledge to provide it. We wanted you to be aware of our concerns.

Sincerely,
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